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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Alistair I. Goudie
Serial No.: N/A
Filed: Herewith
Title: ARBITER FOR A QUEUE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
Docket No.: 34260

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "A"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir/Madam:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination thereof, in the following manner.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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13. (AMENDED) A QMS system as claimed in claim 12, wherein the arbiter is such that the next highest priority level is allocated to accesses to the bus by the QMS.
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